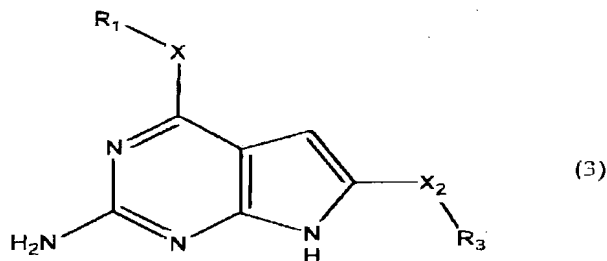


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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMSIn the claims:

1-21 (Cancelled)

22. (Currently Amended) A compound, and pharmaceutically acceptable salts, solvates and prodrugs thereof, having the formula (3):



where X is NH- and R<sub>1</sub> is present;

X<sub>2</sub> is from one to three atoms, and if R<sub>3</sub> is not present, is independently selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, an alkyl group, an alkenyl group, a heteroalkyl group and a heteroalkenyl group, and if R<sub>3</sub> is present, X<sub>2</sub> is selected from the group consisting of an alkylene group, a heteroalkylene group, an alkenylene group and a heteroalkenylene group;

and any carbons or nitrogens of said alkyl group, alkylene group, alkenyl group, alkenylene group, heteroalkyl group, heteroalkylene group, heteroalkenylene group or heteroalkenyl group can optionally be substituted with a straight or branched lower alkyl group or alicyclic group of from 1 to 6 carbons;

R<sub>3</sub> is optionally present;

R<sub>1</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, an alicyclic group, a heterocyclic group, an aryl group, a heteroaryl group, an alkylaryl group, an alkylheteroaryl group, a substituted aryl group, a substituted heteroaryl group, a substituted alkylaryl group and a substituted alkylheteroaryl group;

if present, R<sub>3</sub> is selected from the group consisting of hydrogen, an alicyclic group, a heterocyclic group, an aryl group, a heteroaryl group, an alkylaryl group, an alkylheteroaryl group, a substituted aryl group, a substituted heteroaryl group, a substituted alkylaryl group, a substituted alkylheteroaryl group, and *p*-aroyl-glutamate;

and each substituent of any substituted group is the same or different and is selected from the group consisting of a straight or branched lower alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or

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alicyclic group of from one to 6 carbons, an alkoxy group, an alkoxyaryloxy group, and a halogen.

**29-35 ( Cancelled)**

36. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 22, wherein  $R_1$  is *m*-bromophenyl.

37. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 22, wherein  $X_2$  is  $CH_2-CH_2$ .

38. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 37, wherein  $R_3$  is 2-pyridyl.

39. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 37, wherein  $R_3$  is phenyl.

40. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 37, wherein  $R_3$  is *p*-methoxyphenyl.

41. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 37, wherein  $R_3$  is *o*-chlorophenyl.

42. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 37, wherein  $R_3$  is 1-naphthyl.

43. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 37, wherein  $R_3$  is 2-naphthyl.

**44 -52 (Cancelled)**

53. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 22, wherein  $X_2$  is  $CH_2-$ .

54. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 53, wherein  $R_3$  is phenyl.

55. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 53, wherein  $R_3$  is 2-methylphenyl.

56. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 53, wherein  $R_3$  is 2-chlorophenyl.

57. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 53, wherein  $R_3$  is 2,4-dichlorophenyl.

58. **(Previously Presented)** The compound of Claim 53, wherein  $R_3$  is 2,5-dimethoxyphenyl.